

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Atsuhiko Kawamoto et al.  
Application No. : 10/568,317  
Filed : February 15, 2006  
Title : ARC WELDING CONTROL METHOD AND ARC WELDING  
MACHINE  
  
Conf. No. : 4655  
Art Unit : 1725  
Examiner : Clifford C. Shaw  
  
Customer No. : 52054  
Docket No. : NGB-39709

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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT "C"**

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated January 11, 2008. The three-month period for responding to the Office action expired on April 11, 2008. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests and petitions that the response date be extended for two months, up to and including June 11, 2008. Please charge \$460 to our Deposit Account No. 160820, our Order No. NGB-39709. Also, please charge our Deposit Account No. 160820, our Order No. NGB 39709 for \$ 210 for the independent claim 15.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 9 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.